

Amendments to the Specification

Page 1, before the title, please insert the following heading:

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Page 1, after the title at line 3, please delete "Description" and insert the following heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

Page 1, at line 9, please insert the following heading:

Description of the Background

Page 2, before line 1, please insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 2, at line 9, please insert the following heading:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Please amend the paragraph at page 3, lines 1-3 as follows:

-- Suitable vinylaromatic compounds include vinyltoluene ~~a-~~ and ~~p-methylstyrene~~ α -
and β -methylstyrene, α -butylstyrene, 4-n-decylstyrene, and-preferably-styrene. Examples of
nitriles are acrylonitrile and methacrylonitrile. --